

Monday, March 7, 2016

At a public hearing of the City Council, in the City of Woonsocket, County of Providence, State of Rhode Island in Harris Hall on Monday, March 7, 2016 at 6:40 P.M.

Six members are present. President Brien is absent

16 R 28 A resolution authorizing the proposed abandonment of all rights, title and interest in a portion of McMullen Avenue, in the City of Woonsocket is read by title.

There was no one present wishing to address the council.

16 O 05 An ordinance amending the comprehensive plan of the City of Woonsocket is read by title. The ordinance was tabled to March 21st.

16 O 06 An ordinance in amendment of Zoning Ordinance, Appendix C changing zoning designations for certain lots is read by title. The ordinance was tabled to March 21st.

16 O 15 An ordinance in amendment of Zoning Ordinance Appendix C regarding aquaculture, vertical gardening and indoor agriculture is read by title.

Mary Landreville and Charles Lemoine addressed the council.

16 O 16 An ordinance establishing an Omnibus Tax Stabilization Program for the Woonsocket Downtown revitalization area is read by title. There was no one present wishing to address the council.

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the public hearings be adjourned at 6:52 P.M.

The regular meeting immediately follows at 7 P.M.

Six members are present. President Brien is absent.

The prayer is read by the Clerk. The Pledge of Allegiance is given by the assembly.

The following persons addressed the council under citizens good and welfare:

Jim Cournoyer, Charles Lemoine, Raymond Riel and Mary Landreville.

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the minutes of the regular meeting held February 15th be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the consent agenda be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

The following items were listed on the consent agenda:

16 CO 13 A communication from Director Planning & Development regarding ADA requirements at Koto Steakhouse.

16 CO 14 A communication from chairman of the Woonsocket Capital Building Committee regarding Stage II of the five-year school capital improvement program.

16 M 06 A communication from Mayor submitting a request to read a resident mail is read by title,

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the communication be received and placed on file.

16 M 07 A communication from Mayor regarding homestead exemption is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the communication be received and

placed on file.

16 LC 06 An application to transfer Class BV license from Koto Steak House Inc. to Toyo Steak House Inc. d/b/a Toyo Steak House at 401 Clinton Street, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the transfer be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Attorney Joseph Carroll addressed the council.

16 LC 07 An application for transfer of Class BL license from Savannah to Stalag 13 Inc. d/b/a Elm Street Pizza at 596 Elm Street, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Mancieri it is voted that the transfer be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Attorney Lloyd Gariepy addressed the council.

16 LC 08 Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Mancieri it is voted that the following licenses be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous: 1 application for Class F license, 1 application for Class F and entertainment license, 1 application Class F1 and entertainment license, 1 application for first class victualing license, 1 application for renewal of bowling alley license, 37 applications for renewal of holiday licenses, 3 applications

for renewal of pool table license, 8 applications for renewal of quarterly entertainment license, 6 applications for renewal of street vendor license. The application of Champ's Liquors to hold holiday license was voted on and passed unanimously on a 5-0 voice vote with Councilwoman Murray abstaining from this vote.

16 CP 12 A request of Knights of Columbus Council 113 to hold a tag day on Saturday, May 14, 2016 with a rain date of May 21, 2016 is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the request be tabled, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

16 CP 13 A request of Councilman Gendron to address the following items: Financial condition/budget, water treatment plant and Ayotte Field.

16 CP 14 A request of Councilman Mancieri to address the following items: odor control report, city treasurer and workcamps applications.

The following remarks are made under good and welfare:

Councilwoman Murray passed.

Councilman Beauchamp passed.

President Brien was absent.

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Mancieri it is voted that the following item be added to the agenda:

Council Gendron spoke about MyRa.

Councilman Jalette spoke about 10/10 club, his second annual fundraiser.

Councilman Mancieri passed.

Councilman Moreau passed.

Upon motion of Councilman Moreau seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following resolution:

16 R 40 A resolution approving and authorizing the Stage II application submittal of the five-year school capital plan to the Rhode Island Department of Education is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilmen Beauchamp and Gendron it is voted that the resolution be passed, a

voice vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 05 An ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Woonsocket is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the ordinance be tabled to March 21st, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 06 An ordinance in amendment of Zoning Ordinance, Appendix C changing the zoning designation of Assessor's Plat 13 Lot 35, Assessor's Plat 14 Lots 232, 332 and 433 from R 4, Assessor's Plat 13, Lots 14, 18, 128, 134, 190, 230, 279, 280, 286 and 287 and Assessor's Plat 14, Lots 352, 374, 385, 408 and 410 from MU 2 to MU 1 is read by title, and

Upon motion for Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the ordinance be tabled to March 21st, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 15 An ordinance in amendment of Code of Ordinances Appendix C entitled "Zoning" regarding aquaculture, vertical gardening and indoor agriculture is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a

roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 16 An ordinance establishing an Omnibus Tax Stabilization Program for the Woonsocket Downtown revitalization are is read by title, and

A motion is made by Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray that the ordinance be passed, however before this is voted on

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the ordinance be amended as follows: On Page 9, in Section 5, at the end of Part B after “first class mail.”, insert “The Director of Planning & Development shall prepare and submit an annual report to all properties in the program to the City Clerk for distribution to City Council members by June 1st of each year”. The ordinance is then voted on and passed for the first time as amended, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 17 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 18 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

16 O 19 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed, however this motion is defeated on a 3-3 roll call vote with Councilors Gendron, Moreau and Murray voting no.

16 R 31 A resolution granting permission to use city property is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

16 R 32 A resolution petitioning the Rhode Island General Assembly at its January session to enact legislation amending Rhode Island General Law 44-3-3.1.1 is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the following three resolutions be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous:

16 R 33 A resolution requesting the General Assembly delegation from Woonsocket to introduce legislation pertaining to Historic Tax Credits for distressed communities.

16 R 34 A resolution requesting the general assembly delegation from Woonsocket to introduce legislation and urge support of legislation pertaining to budget commissions appointments and duties.

16 R 35 A resolution requesting the Woonsocket delegation to the general assembly to introduce legislation, support and pass legislation pertaining to Budget Commissions and the Rhode Island Open Meetings Act.

16 R 36 A resolution requesting the general assembly from Woonsocket to introduce legislation pertaining the tax exempt property is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman

Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, however this motion is defeated on a 3-3 roll call vote with Councilors Beauchamp, Gendron and Moreau voting no.

16 R 37 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

16 R 38 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

16 R 39 A resolution in recognition of Sojourner House commemorating their 40th anniversary is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

16 R 41 A resolution authorizing Mayor to enter into a development

agreement concerning the former Woonsocket Middle School Complex at Park Place is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Jalette it is voted that the resolution be passed, a roll call vote on same being 5-1 with Councilman Mancieri voting no.

Councilman Mancieri made a motion to amend Section 1 from nine months to three months, however this motion failed for lack of a second.

A motion was also made by Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilman Gendron that the resolution be tabled, however that motion was defeated on a 4-2 roll call vote with Councilors Gendron and Mancieri voting yes.

16 R 42 A resolution authorizing the abandonment of all rights, title and interest in a portion of McMullen Avenue is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilmen Gendron and Jalette it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Mancieri it is voted that the meeting be and it is hereby adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

Attest: Christina Harmon-Duarte City Clerk